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AN ELECTRIC MOTOR

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action/Restriction of July 17, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as shown in the Clean Copy of the Claims submitted herewith.
A Marked Up Copy of the claims is also enclosed.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the Office Action of July 17, 2002 is respectfully requested.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect claims 1-10 for immediate prosecution. In the above Amendment, method claim 11 has been amended to indicate that it is a method utilizing the electric motor assembly of apparatus claim 1, and new claim 18 also features a method which utilizes the motor assembly of claim 1. New claims 19 and 20 are dependent claims depending off of claim 18. Claims 11 and claim 18 are further submitted not to present any new matter in their presentation of the method of starting up a main motor relative to

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reaching the nominal rotation relationship. Thus, Applicant respectfully requests that upon the allowance of claim 1, method claims 11-20 be rejoined in accordance with the provisions of MPEP 821.04.

Applicants look forward to receipt of an action on the merits of this case.

If any additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4300.

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